

ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

PERSONAL AUDIO RECORDING SYSTEM

Broadcast music, or other audio that a user wants to hear, is recorded based on criteria obtained from a user. Any of a plurality of techniques may be used to identify the audio, alone or in combination with other identification techniques, including length of song, fingerprint recognition of digital or analog audio, scheduled programming, or metadata transmitted in the same or an adjacent channel or frequency. The criteria used to determine whether to save a recording may be based on attributes included in the identification database, such as artist, genre, popularity, station programming, year, signal quality, etc. The audio selected by a user for listening may be recorded, or a programmable tuner or other input selector may automatically record desired music regardless of whether the music is being output for listening. The audio recorded may be obtained from any source, including analog and digital radio, Internet radio streams and removable pre-recorded media.